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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

Deputy Director of Information Technology

SUBJECT:

OIT Suggested Topics for DCI Off-site

I've attached several suggested discussion topics for the DCI Off-site. The topics are organized around the theme of the importance of strategic planning to Agency success in the Nineties. Please let me know if you need further clarification. Thanks.

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Att: a/s

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Attachment

OIT Suggested Topics for DCI Off-site

Theme: Strategic Planning will be the Cornerstone for Successful Management in the Next Decade

Increased Emphasis on Strategic Planning is Needed as Agency Expansion Slows

- ---During the growth period of the Eighties, the availability of resources allowed a certain laxness in the management planning arena
- ---Resource constraints in the Nineties, coupled with the legacy of short-term actions of the Eighties, will make resource and administrative planning critical for success in the upcoming decade

Topics for Discussion

Technology Resource Issues

- ---Impact of the increasing Agency dependence on information systems
- ---Personal Computers (PC's) are the "New Center of the Universe" for information systems: organizational implications
- ---More investment in automation is needed to meet productivity goals
- ---Recapitalization of critical information technology is largely unfunded
- ---Enhanced training requirements for a static high technology workforce

Human Resource Issues

- --- Impact of promotion slowdowns
- ---Effects of not having a flow through system for the SIS officer corps
- ---Effect of the "mix" problem on personnel resources

General Resource Issues

- ---Better space planning especially in the "backfill area" is essential to avoid disruption and fragmentation, unnecessary costs, and to meet Congressional concerns
- --- Inadequate Base resources in DDA due to prior growth

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